**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH**
**ABSTRACT**

Establishment – Forest Department – Sri M.S.S. Murthy Raju, Assistant Conservator of Forests (retired) – Inclusion in the panel of Forest Range Officers fit for promotion to the post of Assistant Conservator of Forests in the panel year 2003-04 and notional promotion with retrospective effect from the date on which his immediate junior Sri B.V. Trinatha Rao promoted as Assistant Conservator of Forests, in relaxation of rules – Orders – Issued.

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**ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (SEC.V) DEPARTMENT**

G.O.MS.No. 92 Dated: 11-09-2018

Read the following:-

1) From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Andhra Pradesh, Letter Ref.No.45558/2019/Admn2, dated 24.04.2015.
2) Memo.No.2431/For.Sec.V/2015-3, Environment, Forests, Science & Technology (For.Sec.V) Department, dated 13.05.2016.
3) From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), A.P., letter Ref. No. 45558/2009/Admn-2, dated 12.08.2018.

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ORDER:-

In the reference first read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Andhra Pradesh has stated that the name of Sri M.S.S. Murthy Raju, Forest Range Officer was not considered for promotion to the category of Assistant Conservator of Forests during the panel year 2003-04 due to pendency of disciplinary case against him and his juniors were promoted. As per the directions of the Andhra Pradesh Administrative Tribunal in O.A.No.1548 of 2004, dated 1.3.2004, the case of the individual for promotion to the category of Assistant Conservator of Forests was considered and the result was kept in sealed cover, subject to disposal of disciplinary case. In G.O.Ms.No.81, Environment, Forests, Science & Technology (For.IV) Department, dated 23.06.2006, Government issued orders imposing the penalty of reduction of pay to three lower stages in time scale against Sri M.S.S. Murthy Raju, Forest Range Officer, formerly Flying Squad Division, Rajahmundry. He was considered for promotion to the category of Assistant Conservator of Forests in the panel year 2009-10 and promoted as such on 18.09.2010 A.N. Subsequently, in Memo.No.8102/For.IV/A1/2006, Environment, Forests, Science & Technology (For.IV) Department, dated 23.02.2015, Government have issued orders withdrawing the punishment imposed against him, by extending the same treatment on par with similarly situated person i.e., Sri Lohitasyudu, DFO. In view of the orders issued by the Government withdrawing the penalty imposed on him, Sri M.S.S. Murthy Raju, Assistant Conservator of Forests has represented to consider his promotion with retrospective effect by including his name in the panel year 2003-04, on par with his juniors. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Andhra Pradesh has requested to review the panel of Forest Range Officers fit for promotion to the category of Assistant Conservator of Forests for the year 2003-04, to include the name of Sri M.S.S. Murthy Raju and to consider his case for retrospective promotion on par with his immediate junior Sri B.V. Trinatha Rao and to place the name of Sri M.S.S. Murthy Raju (Sl. No. 45) ACF above Sri B.V.Trinatha Rao (Sl. No. 47) and below Sri T. Narasaiah (Sl. No. 42) who are figured at serial number 38 and 42 respectively in the Minutes of the DPC Meeting dated 25.03.2004, wherein the names of the Forest Range Officers were recommended for inclusion in the 2003-04 panel. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Andhra Pradesh has requested to accord permission to issue show cause notices to the juniors to Sri M.S.S. Murthy Raju and submit necessary proposals to Government, along with objections received, if any, for issuing final orders.

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2. After careful examination of the matter, Government, in exercise of the powers conferred under rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh State and Subordinate Service Rules, 1996, have decided to review the panel of Forest Range Officers fit for promotion to the category of Assistant Conservator of Forests for the panel year 2003-04 to include the name of Sri M.S.S. Murthy Raju, by following due procedure. Accordingly, in the reference second read above, Government have permitted the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Andhra Pradesh to place the case of Sri M.S.S. Murthy Raju, ACF before the Review DPC to review his case for retrospective promotion to the category of Assistant Conservator of Forest during the panel year 2003-04, on par with his juniors promoted as Assistant Conservator of Forests. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Andhra Pradesh is also permitted to take necessary action to call for the objections from the affected persons, examine and dispose the same and send necessary proposals to Government for assigning notional promotion to the said individual in relaxation of rule 33 of A.P. State and Subordinate Service Rules, 1996.

3. In the reference third read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Andhra Pradesh has informed that in compliance with the directions of the Government, show cause notices have been issued to 63 persons likely to be affected due the provisional decision to revise of seniority of Sri M.S.S. Murthy Raju, Assistant Conservator of Forests by including his name in the panel year 2003-04, in which his immediate junior Sri B.V. Trinatha Rao was included. No objections have been received. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Andhra Pradesh has requested to consider the case of Sri M.S.S. Murthy Raju, Assistant Conservator of Forests for retrospective promotion to the category of Assistant Conservator of Forests in the year 2003-04 panel by placing him above Sri B.V. Trinatha Rao (Sl. No. 47) and below Sri T. Narsaiah (Sl. No. 42) and issue orders in the matter at an early date.

4. Government, after careful examination, have decided to confirm the provisional decision to include the name of Sri M.S.S. Murthy Raju, in the panel of Forest Range Officers fit for promotion to the category of Assistant Conservator of Forests for the panel year 2003-04, by placing him above Sri B.V. Trinatha Rao (Sl. No. 47) and below Sri T. Narsaiah (Sl. No. 42) and to promote him notionally with effect from the date on which his immediate junior Sri B.V. Trinatha Rao was promoted to the category of Assistant Conservator of Forests. Accordingly, Government hereby order that Sri M.S.S. Murthy Raju, Assistant Conservator of Forests shall be promoted to the category of Assistant Conservator of Forests, notionally with retrospective effect from the date on which his immediate junior Sri B.V. Trinatha Rao, was promoted the category of Assistant Conservator of Forests, in the panel year 2003-04, in relaxation of rule 33 (a) of A.P. State & Subordinate Service Rules, 1996.

5. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Andhra Pradesh shall take further action in the matter, accordingly.

**(BY ORDRER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)**

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**PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

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